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 SUBJECT: MGRW02: BELGIUM TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL
 HUMANITARIAN AID FOR RWANDA; POSSIBLE ADOPTION OF MALAWI
 CONTINGENT

REF: A) BRUSSELS 8184 B) BRUSSELS 8094 C) STATE 188264

1. C - ENTIRE TEXT

2. BELGIAN MFA CHEF DE CABINET LODE WILLEMS INFORMED
 POLOFF THAT AT END OF LENGTHY MEETING HELD ON 7/25, THE
 GOB HAD DECIDED TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL ASSISTANCE TO
 RWANDA. A NEW TRANCHE OF EMERGENCY HUMANITARIAN FUNDS
 TOTALLING BETWEEN BF 80-100 MILLION (APPROXIMATELY USDOLS
 2.4-3.0 MILLION AT EXCHANGE RATE OF BF 32.87 TO USDOL
 1.00) WILL BE RELEASED. WILLEMS SAID MOST OF THE MONEY

WOULD BE ALLOCATED TO WFP AND MSF PROGRAMS.

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3. AFTER CONSULTATIONS WITH THE UN AND GENERAL BARIL, WILLEMS SAID IT NOW APPEARED BELGIUM WOULD BE "ADOPTING" THE MALAWI CONTINGENT. HE WAS NOT CERTAIN WHETHER THE GOB WOULD TAKE CARE OF ALL OF THE MALAWIAN REQUIREMENTS. THAT WOULD DEPEND ON WHAT THE UN REQUESTED AND THE COST OF THE PROPOSED ASSISTANCE. WILLEMS ESTIMATED THE VALUE OF ITS CONTEMPLATED UNAMIR ASSISTANCE PACKAGE AT APPROXIMATELY BF 100 MILLION (USDOLS 3.0 MILLION), INCLUDING TRANSPORTATION. IN LIGHT OF SOME DONORS' DECISIONS TO EITHER LEASE OR SELL EQUIPMENT TO THE UN, BELGIUM WAS LOOKING INTO THE MODALITIES OF THE UNAMIR REQUEST. THE GOB WOULD DECIDE SHORTLY ON THE TERMS OF ITS CONTRIBUTION, WILLEMS ADDED.

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4. THE MFA WILL BE DISPATCHING A SIX-PERSON FACT-FINDING MISSION TO RWANDA THE EVENING OF TUESDAY, JULY 26, ACCORDING TO WILLEMS. THE GROUP WILL ESTABLISH CONTACT WITH THE NEW GOVERNMENT (NO QUESTION YET OF REOPENING THE BELGIAN EMBASSY) AND WILL CARRY A MESSAGE FROM THE GOB TO PM TWAGIRAMUNGU. RETIRED AMBASSADOR DUCHAMPS WILL LEAD THE MISSION. HE WILL BE ACCCOMPANIED BY FORMER KIGALI DCM COLLYN, TWO ADMINISTRATIVE TECHNICIANS, AND TWO BODYGUARDS.

5. BUJUMBURA MINIMIZE CONSIDERED.

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